

Senate Resolution 1369

By: Senators Orrock of the 36th, Fort of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Tate of the 38th, James of the 35th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Commission on Family Violence; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, for the past 18 years, the Georgia Commission on Family Violence has served
4 as the only state agency committed to increasing safety for victims of domestic violence and
5 raising accountability for perpetrators; and

6 WHEREAS, created in 1992, the commission has diligently and conscientiously worked to
7 protect the victims of family violence through its innovative programs and initiatives; and

8 WHEREAS, the commission has created a uniform process for accountability of domestic
9 violence offenders, currently certifying and monitoring 147 family violence intervention
10 programs state wide; and

11 WHEREAS, the state-wide Temporary Protective Order Registry was created by the
12 commission and gives courts and law enforcement 24 hour electronic access to detailed
13 information contained within a family violence protective order; and

14 WHEREAS, the commission provides technical assistance to 50 domestic violence task
15 forces across Georgia which are citizen groups that convene to find local solutions to the
16 problem of domestic violence; and

17 WHEREAS, an annual state-wide Domestic Violence Fatality Review is conducted by the
18 commission to study the in-depth causes and consequences of deaths related to domestic
19 violence in Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, the commission has helped reduce the domestic violence homicide rate in
21 Georgia by 16.8 percent since 2001, a rate which is almost four times better than the national
22 average; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize with particularity
24 the outstanding accomplishments of this extraordinary agency.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 commend the Georgia Commission on Family Violence for its efficient, effective, unselfish,
27 and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and its commitment to ending domestic
28 violence in this state.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Commission on Family
31 Violence.